## **REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Preliminarily, Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing claims 1 and 3-26. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested. Claim 2 has been cancelled. Upon entry of the above amendments, allowed claims 1 and 3-26, as amended, will be pending. Therefore, all objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number indicated below in order to expeditiously resolve any remaining issues.

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